

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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June 21, 1988

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 88-68

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN (AFDC)
DISCONTINUANCE SURVEY

REFERENCE: ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 88-47

All County Letter (ACL) 88-47 transmitted information regarding the AFDC Discontinuance Survey to be conducted by the Department of Social Services (DSS) for the study month of July 1988. The purpose of this letter is to inform Counties that the study month for the survey has been changed from July 1988 to August 1988.

The change in the study month has been made in response to concerns expressed from within the Department that the number of discontinuances due to an assistance unit no longer containing an eligible child, might be inflated in the month of July as a result of children 18 years of age graduating from school in June. This concern proved to be true based on statewide data reported on the AFDC Report on Reasons for Discontinuance of Cash Grant (ABCD 253).

The study plan for conducting the survey, as shared in the ACL 88-44, remains the same with the exception of the change in the study month. Therefore, Counties should begin immediately to develop a plan for generating a list of cases that are discontinued during August 1988. It is important that your County's list of discontinued cases does not include cases in which the discontinuance was rescinded. The list should only contain cases that were discontinued in August 1988 and, in fact, were off aid as of the first day of September 1988. The list of discontinuances in multi-payment cycle Counties should only include cases actually discontinued during August, regardless of the particular payment cycle the cases are on.

We apologize for any inconvenience this change may create for your County. If you have any questions or comments regarding this change or the survey in general, please direct them to Nancy Stone at (916) 323-4462 or (ATSS) 473-4462.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D. J. Boyle", is written over the typed name.

DENNIS J. BOYLE
Deputy Director

cc: CWDA